

What is claimed is:

1                   1.     A vehicle airbag arrestor mountable about a vehicle steering  
2 column carrying a steering wheel containing an inflatable airbag, the airbag arrestor  
3 comprising:

4                   an enclosure having an open end and a closed end, the enclosure  
5 adapted to be mountable over a vehicle steering wheel and vehicle steering column,  
6 with the closed end adjacent a vehicle steering wheel; and

7                   an attachment member, mountable about the enclosure, and adapted to  
8 substantially non-axially, movably mount the enclosure over the steering wheel and  
9 the steering column of a vehicle.

1                   2.     The airbag arrestor of claim 1 wherein the attachment member  
2 comprises:

3                   a strap disposed about the enclosure; and

4                   a connector carried on the strap for receiving a free end of the strap to  
5 releaseably tighten the strap and the enclosure about a vehicle steering column.

1                   3.     The airbag arrestor of claim 2 wherein:  
2 the strap is movably mounted on the enclosure.

1                   4.     The airbag arrestor of claim 2 wherein the connector comprises:  
2 a latch movable to and from a first position engaged with the strap; and  
3 a biasing member acting on the latch to bias the latch to the first  
4 position.

1                   5.     The airbag arrestor of claim 4 wherein the connector further  
2 comprises:  
3 a body carrying the latch and the biasing member.



1                   16.     The airbag arrestor of claim 1 further comprising:  
2                   the enclosure and the attachment member formed of a flexible, ballistic  
3                   grade material.